



MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Violet Varona-Lukens, Executive Officer
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors
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Los Angeles, California 90012

At its meeting held January 31, 2006, the Board took the following action:

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Supervisor Antonovich made the following statement:

“This coming April commemorates our third annual ‘Equestrian Safety Month.’ The County, in conjunction with the Chatsworth Neighborhood Council’s Equestrian Committee, and the Chatsworth Equine Cultural Heritage Organization and Equestrian Trials Incorporated Corral 54 has successfully educated motorists over the past three years to prevent accidents where horses and automobiles co-exist. Most drivers have little knowledge of horse behavior, which can create a disaster if a vehicle steers too close and frightens the horse.

“The California Vehicle Code states that horse drawn vehicles and riders of horses or other animals are entitled to share the road with moving vehicles. It is a traffic offense to scare horses or stampede livestock. A driver must also slow down or stop, if requested to do so by the rider or herder of livestock.”

Therefore, on motion of Supervisor Antonovich, seconded by Supervisor Molina, unanimously carried, the Board proclaimed April 2006 as “Equestrian Safety Month” throughout Los Angeles County, to encourage safety and to educate motorists and equestrians about the rules of the road to prevent accidents and injuries where cars and horses cross paths.

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Each Supervisor
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Letters sent to:

President, Equine Cultural Heritage Organization
Managing Director, Vaquero Heritage Foundation
Board Member, Chatsworth Neighborhood Council
Trail Coordinator, Equestrian Trails, Inc., Corral 54